

CHARTER

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AUTHORITY

The President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (the Board) is established by Executive Order 13532 (February 26, 2010) and subsequently continued by Executive Order 13652, which was signed by the President on September 30, 2013. The Board is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (P.L. 92-463, as amended; 5 U.S.C. app.), which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees.

OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the Board is to advise the President and the Secretary of Education (Secretary) on all matters pertaining to strengthening the educational capacity of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

The Board shall advise the President and the Secretary in the following areas:

- (i) improving the identity, visibility, and distinctive capabilities and overall competitiveness of HBCUs;
- (ii) engaging the philanthropic, business, government, military, homeland security, and education communities in a national dialogue regarding new HBCU programs and initiatives;
- (iii) improving the ability of HBCUs to remain fiscally secure institutions that can assist the Nation in reaching its goal of having the highest proportion of college graduates in the world by 2020;
- (iv) elevating the public awareness of HBCUs; and
- (v) encouraging public-private investments in HBCUs.

OFFICIAL TO WHOM THE BOARD REPORTS

The Board shall provide advice to the President and to the Secretary through the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

SUPPORT

The White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities within the Office of the Under Secretary at the U.S. Department of Education will provide financial and administrative support for the performance of the Board's functions to the extent permitted by law and within existing appropriations.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST

Members of the Board shall serve without compensation. Members of the Board may receive reimbursement for travel expenses incident to attending Board meetings, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. §5703, for persons in the government service employed intermittently.

The estimated annual cost of operating the Board, including travel, per diem, and other operating expenses for members, is \$70,000. The estimated annual person-years of staff support are one full-time equivalent (FTE).

DESIGNATED FEDERAL OFFICIAL (DFO)

The Secretary of Education shall designate an Executive Director for the Board. The Executive Director for the Board will serve as the Designated Federal Official (DFO). The DFO shall:

- attend and adjourn Board meetings as required;
- maintain required records on costs and membership;
- ensure efficient operations;
- provide training for new members;
- maintain records for availability to the public; and
- provide copies of any reports to the appropriate Congressional and Library of Congress officials.

MEETINGS

The Board shall meet on a regular basis at the call of the Chairperson after consultation with the DFO. Meetings are open to the public except as may be determined otherwise by the General Counsel of the Department of Education in accordance with Section 10(d) of the FACA.

A majority of the voting members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

REPORTS

As a part of the annual report of the Initiative, the Board shall report to the President and the Secretary on its progress in carrying out its duties under Section 3 of Executive Order 13532.

Section 6(b) of the FACA applies to any report the Board may be required to prepare.

DURATION

The need for the Commission is continuing; however, it is subject to termination pursuant to the section below.

TERMINATION

Unless extended by the President, the Commission will terminate on September 30, 2015.

MEMBERSHIP AND DESIGNATION

The Board shall be composed of not more than 25 members appointed by the President. The President shall designate one member of the Board to serve as Chair. The Board shall include representatives of a variety of sectors, including:

- (i) philanthropy;
- (ii) education;
- (iii) business;
- (iv) finance;
- (v) entrepreneurship;
- (vi) innovation;
- (vii) private foundations; and
- (viii) sitting HBCU presidents.

Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder of such term.

The members, including sitting HBCU presidents and representatives of private foundations, shall serve as representatives. As representatives, the members speak for the groups of persons they represent to ensure that the views of the group the member

represents are heard. The members do not provide their own personal and independent advice based on their own individual expertise and experience, but rather gather and synthesize information and the views of the stakeholders they represent.

Per Executive Order 13621, the Board will include two members of the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans (Commission), designated by the President. The Executive Director of the Commission shall be a non-voting, ex officio member of the Board, and shall be the Commission's liaison to the Board and the Executive Director of the Board shall be a non-voting ex officio member of the Commission and shall be the Board's liaison to the Commission.

Consistent with 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2, §5(b)(2) and 41 CFR §102-3.30(c), membership of the Board should be balanced.

SUBCOMMITTEES

The agency may approve the Board to create subcommittees composed exclusively of members of the full Board with the concurrence of the DFO and may assign project responsibility to such subcommittees. Each subcommittee complies with the applicable requirements of FACA and applicable departmental regulations. Each subcommittee reports to the full Board its preliminary findings and recommendations for deliberation and action by the full Board.

RECORD KEEPING

The records of the Board will be handled in accordance with the General Records Schedule 26, Item 2. The records shall be made available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552.

FILING DATE

The Board is hereby chartered in accordance with Section 14(b) of the FACA. This charter expires two years from the date of filing.

/S/ _____
Secretary

September 22, 2014
Date

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